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Group Art Unit: 2421  
Docket No.: SONYJP 3.0-241

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:	:
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Application No.: 10/081,437	: Group Art Unit: 2421
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Filed: February 21, 2002	: Examiner: S. A. Chowdhury
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For: TRANSMISSION DEVICE AND METHOD,	:
RECEPTION DEVICE AND	:
METHOD, RECORDING MEDIUM AND	:
PROGRAM	:

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 3, 2010, finally rejecting claims 1-16, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: